Covid-19 and Solid Waste

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Hi all,

Considering the recent events, I wanted to give everyone an update on how this whole thing will affect us at All Clean and how we plan handle the needs of the community throughout this crisis.

Solid waste collection is considered an essential service under the governor's executive order and we will remain open for as long as we are able, but for safety purposes, we will be implementing the following changes effective immediately.

- 1. The Northfield Transfer Station at 69 Dog River Drive will remain open for normal business hours on Wednesday and Saturday from 8 to 3 however, we will be closing our satellite drop at the parking lot of Kenyon's Hardware for the duration of the shutdown at minimum. We will post a notice there in our usual spot, directing everyone to the transfer station who does not see this message.
- 2. The Transfer Station will be open an additional hour in the morning on both days from 7 to 8 am for seniors and high-risk people. We will not turn anyone away during this time but please be respectful of these folks' needs for physical separation. Let's be kind and help each other during this difficult time.
- 3. Customers will be asked to remain in their vehicles at the Transfer Station while we handle the materials. Due to the congestion we will likely experience from closing one drop, we ask that everyone please be respectful of this rule for the safety of not only ourselves, but of the other customers as well. Please be patient and wait your turn, we will do our best to keep it flowing smoothly.
- 4. We ask that for the duration of this crisis, any large loads of materials, like demolition and construction debris be brought to C.V. Transfer (Casella) on route 2 in East Montpelier as their facility offers more efficiency and allows for more physical separation while unloading. We will continue to accept household trash and recycling, as well as scrap metal, appliances, tires, miscellaneous small items, etc. as usual. Again, we will not turn anyone away, but please try to consider the safety of everyone else when preparing your materials. We also have dumpsters available on request.
- 5. Customers receiving curbside collection services will be asked to prepare their materials and place their cans out by the road the evening prior to their scheduled pick up. Covid-19 becomes less infectious the longer it remains outside the body and this measure helps ensure the safety of our workers.
- 6. Please make sure all recyclables are clean and free of trash. Please rinse clean and dry, any glass or plastic food contains and be sure to discard any wet/soiled paper products in the trash. Please DO NOT under any circumstances put medical waste products in the recycling. This includes tissues, paper towels, sanitary wipes, masks, gloves and other articles of clothing (you are supposed to be doing this anyway but it's extra important now.) Finally, please make sure your trash is bagged and tied. You wouldn't believe how these few small steps can help us keep things cleaner and possibly even save lives.

As always, I'm happy to answer any questions and in the meantime, All Clean remains committed to serving the solid waste needs of the community. Thanks for your support.

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